

IN THE CLAIMS:

1-15. (cancelled)

16. (currently amended) A method for operating a network for the interconnection of computers having a server and a client, comprising the steps of:

providing an interpreter at said server;

storing at least one datafile on said server that is executable in said server and in said client;

interpreting, by said interpreter, language elements executable at said server contained in said datafile;

executing, by said interpreter, said language elements executable at said server;

executing, by said client, language elements executable at said client contained in said datafile;

calling said datafile by said client by sending a corresponding datafile address to said server;

transmitting said datafile by said server to said client in response to said calling said datafile by said client;

generating an address of a further server;

communicating said address to said client inquiring said server;

using said transmitted executable datafile, inquiring by said client to said server, which is a queried server, for a specific service offered by said server, said client using specific parameters of said service;

determining by said queried server whether it can perform said inquired service; and

if said server can perform said service, said server performs said service; and if said server cannot perform said service, using said transmitted executable datafile, either said server or said client switches said client to a further server connected to said network that is capable of executing said service.

17. (previously presented) The method for the operation of a network according to claim 16, wherein said service offered by said server is executing a print order, and said method further comprising:

forwarding, by said server, said print order to another server.

18. (previously presented) The method for the operation of a network according to claim 16, further comprising the steps of:

storing information about said service offered by said server in a databank of said server; and

examining said databank to determine if a service is present for an inquiry by said client.

19-20. (cancelled)